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In re Patent Application of) **Mail Stop AMENDMENT**
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2009, the period for response being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: